SecuGen® Peripheral User Guide

Installation, Practice/Diagnostic Tools and Troubleshooting

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Consumer Notices

FCC NOTICE
INFORMATION FOR THE USER

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

1. Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
2. Increase the separation between the equipment and receiver.
3. Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
4. Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

The user may find the following publication prepared by the Federal Communications Commission helpful:

> "How to Identify and Resolve Radio-TV Interference Problems" (Stock Number 004-000-00345-4).

Available exclusively from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (telephone 202-512-1800).

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INFORMATION FOR THE USER

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The user may find the following publication prepared by the Federal Communications Commission helpful:

> "How to Identify and Resolve Radio-TV Interference Problems" (Stock Number 004-000-00345-4).

Available exclusively from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402 (telephone 202-512-1800).

WARNING

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This Class B digital apparatus meets all requirements of the Canadian Interference-Causing Equipment Regulations.

Cet appareil numérique de la classe B respecte toutes les exigences due Réglement sur le matériel brouilleur du Canada.

Before You Begin

Biometrics Overview

Biometrics is an automated method of recognizing a person based on physical or behavioral characteristics. Biometric information that can be used to accurately identify people includes fingerprint, voice, face, iris, handwriting, and hand geometry.

There are two key functions offered by a biometric system. One method is **identification**, a “one-to-many” matching process in which a biometric sample is compared sequentially to a set of stored samples to determine the closest match. The other is **verification**, a “one-to-one” matching process in which the biometric system checks previously enrolled data for a specific user to verify whether that individual is who he or she claims to be. The verification method provides the best combination of speed and security, especially where multiple users are concerned, and requires a user ID or other identifier for direct matching.

With an increasing reliance on online technology and other shared resources, the information age is quickly revolutionizing the way transactions are initiated and completed. Business transactions of all types are increasingly being handled online and remotely. This unprecedented growth in electronic transactions has underlined the need for a faster, more secure, and more convenient method of user verification than passwords can provide.

Using biometric identifiers offers several advantages over traditional and current methods. This is because only biometric authentication is based on the identification of an intrinsic part of a human being. Tokens such as smart cards, magnetic stripe cards, and physical keys, can be lost, stolen, duplicated, or left behind; passwords can be forgotten, shared, hacked or unintentionally observed by a third party. By eliminating all of these potential trouble spots, only biometric technology can provide the security and convenience needed for today’s complex electronic landscape.

Advantages of Using Fingerprints

The advantages of using fingerprints include widespread public acceptance, convenience, and reliability. It takes little time and effort to acquire one’s fingerprint with a fingerprint identification device, and so fingerprint recognition is considered among the least intrusive of all biometric verification techniques. Ancient officials used thumbprints to seal documents thousands of years ago, and law enforcement agencies have been using fingerprint identification since the late 1800s. Fingerprints have been used so extensively and for so long, there is a great accumulation of scientific data supporting the idea that no two fingerprints are alike.

About SecuGen

SecuGen provides biometric solutions for physical and network security employing advanced fingerprint recognition technology. The company’s comprehensive product line includes quality optical fingerprint sensors and peripherals, software, and development kits used for a variety of innovative applications including Internet, enterprise network and desktop security, physical access control, time and attendance management, and financial and medical records control. SecuGen patented products feature the industry’s longest warranty and are renowned for their accuracy, reliability and versatility. Based in Silicon Valley, SecuGen has been serving the biometric community since 1998 and is an active member of the International Biometric Industry Association (www.ibia.org), the Biometrics Consortium (www.biometrics.org) and the BioAPI Consortium (www.bioapi.org).

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About SecuGen Products

SecuGen Sensor Qualities

- **Excellent Image Quality:** Clear, distortion-free fingerprint images are generated using advanced, patent-pending optical methods. Quality imaging yields better sampling for minutiae data extraction.
- **Durability:** Mechanical strength tests show resistance to impact, shock and scratches.
- **Powerful Software:** Precise, fast processing algorithm ensures efficiency and reliability.
- **Ruggedness and Versatility:** Solid engineering and superior materials allows for use under extreme conditions.
- **Ergonomic Design:** Compact, modular design for seamless integration into small devices, ease of use, and compatibility make it ideal for a broad range of applications.
- **Low Cost:** Products are developed to deliver high performance, zero maintenance at very affordable prices for general and industrial use.

Advantages of SecuGen Sensors Over Other Optical Sensors

- Unique optical method captures fine details, even from dry skin
- Extremely low image-distortion
- Reinforced materials
- Wear resistance
- Attractively small size
- Ease of integration
- Ready-to-use
  Low cost through longer life and no maintenance requirements

Advantages of SecuGen Sensors Over Semiconductor (Capacitive) Sensors

- Non-metal, non-silicon components make it less susceptible to corrosion when exposed to salts, oil and moisture from skin and environment
- Superior surface properties eliminate need for costly coating and processing procedures
- Greater mechanical strength, wear-resistance, and durability
- Broader range of applicability, especially for use in extreme conditions and climates
- Immunity from electrostatic discharge
- Low cost through longer life and no maintenance requirements

Strengths of SecuGen Software and Algorithms

- Unique image processing algorithm extracts fingerprint minutiae very accurately
- High signal-to-noise ratio processing algorithm screens out false features
- Highly efficient matching algorithm
- Fast overall process of extraction, matching and verification
- Encryption function to protect user privacy
- Compatibility with existing desktop, laptop PCs interface computers
- Ease in developing applications for various purposes

Chapter 1. Introduction

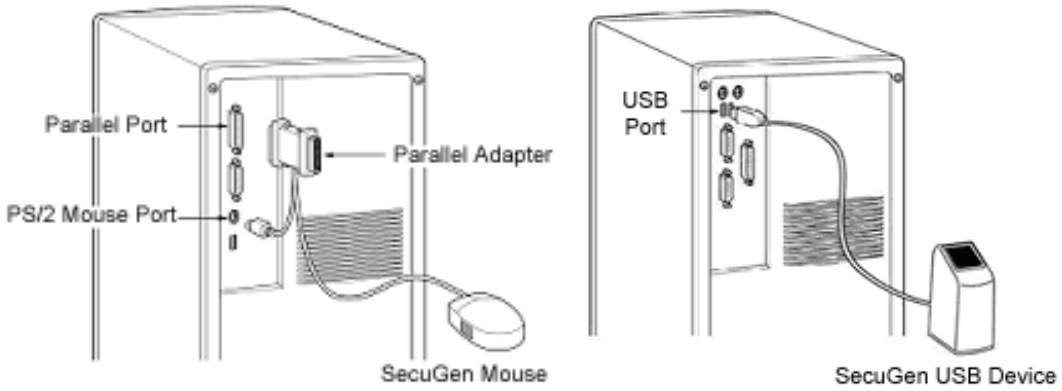
Thank you for choosing SecuGen® fingerprint recognition peripherals.

You will find many uses for SecuGen peripherals, not only for the application you may have just purchased, but also for future software applications that are being developed today through SecuGen's wide network of independent software vendors. This guide explains the different types of SecuGen peripherals, guides you through installation, and provides tips on usage, care and troubleshooting.

1.1. Product Types

It is important to know the type of peripheral you are installing to ensure that the device is configured correctly on your system. If you are not certain, please refer to the chart below, which lists the model number series and product name.

Interface – Sensor	Peripheral Type	Model Number	Product Family
USB - FDU04™	Hamster IV	HFDU04	SecuGen Hamster IV™
USB - FDU03™	Hamster Plus	HFDU03	SecuGen Hamster Plus™
USB - FDU01™, FDU02™	Hamster	HFDU01, HFDU02	SecuGen Hamster III™ EyeD Hamster™
	Mouse	MFDU01, MFDU02	SecuGen OptiMouse™ EyeD OptiMouse™
	Keyboard	KFDU01, KFDU02	SecuGen® Keyboard EyeD Keyboard™
Parallel - FDP01™, FDP02™	Hamster	HFDP01, HFDP02	SecuGen Hamster™ EyeD Hamster™
	Mouse	MFDP01, MFDP02	SecuGen® Mouse EyeD Mouse®
	Keyboard	KFDP01, KFDP02	SecuGen® Keyboard EyeD Keyboard™



Note: In this document and elsewhere, the terms **peripheral, device,** and **FRD (fingerprint recognition device)** may be used interchangeably to refer to the SecuGen peripheral itself.

1.2. Drivers

As with most PC peripherals, a peripheral device requires a driver to provide detailed instructions to the operating system to activate or control the device. SecuGen peripherals are supplied with a device driver CD. In many cases, the biometric software application you purchased may also have SecuGen drivers included in its installation CD.

SecuGen periodically updates its device drivers, which are always available for download from its website at www.secugen.com/download.

1.3. System Requirements for Windows

SecuGen USB Devices

CD-ROM drive
USB 1.1 port or hub (must be self-powered if installing SecuGen OptiMouse or Keyboard)
USB 2.0 port (for Hamster IV)
32MB RAM
20MB available hard disk space
Windows 98 (Second Edition or later version) / ME / 2000 / XP / 2003 / Vista

SecuGen Parallel Devices

CD-ROM drive
Parallel port (EPP-recommended, ECP, or SPP mode)
PS/2 port (mouse or keyboard port)
16MB RAM
20MB available hard disk space
Windows 95 / 98 / ME / NT4.0 / 2000 / XP / 2003

1.4. System Requirements for Other Operating Systems

If you are installing an application based on other platforms such as Windows CE, Linux, or DOS, please refer to the documentation provided by the maker of the application program.

If you are using the SecuGen SDK Collection to develop applications based on these other platforms, please consult the system requirements listed in their respective SDK manuals.

Chapter 2. Installation

You will need to install the appropriate device driver for the type of SecuGen device you wish to install. SecuGen device drivers may be provided in a number of ways.

1. On a SecuGen Device Driver CD that comes with your device.
2. As an electronic file downloaded from SecuGen's website at http://www.secugen.com/download.
3. On an installation CD of a biometric software application that you have purchased separately.

The following instructions are provided for the first two methods listed above. For the third method, please refer to the installation instructions provided by the maker of the application program.

2.1. USB Devices and Drivers

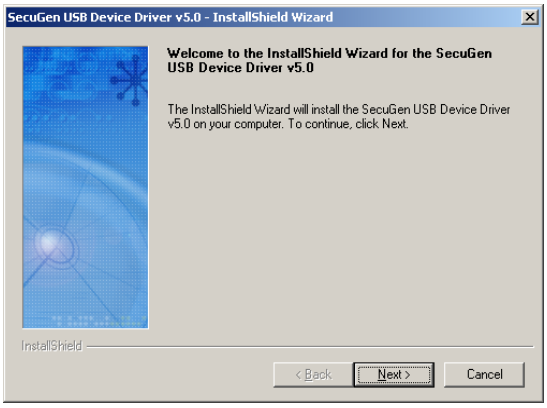
Installing SecuGen drivers is simple when you use the *SecuGenDriverInstall* Program to take you through each step of the way.

Important Note:

- **If you are installing the USB mouse in Windows 98, you will also need your Windows 98 Installation CD if there are no Human Interface Device (HID) drivers already installed on your system.**

1. Before installation, close all applications that are running.
2. Do not plug in the USB peripheral until after the drivers have been installed on your system. The installation program will prompt you to connect the device when it is ready.
3. If installing from CD, insert the SecuGen Device Driver CD into your CD-ROM drive. The installation program will start automatically. If installing from the website, click on the driver download link and unzip the file. Double-click on **setup.exe** to begin installation.
4. Click **USB Driver** to continue.

5. Follow the instructions presented by the InstallShield Wizard to complete the driver installation.


SecuGen USB Device Driver v5.0 - InstallShield Wizard
Welcome to the InstallShield Wizard for the SecuGen USB Device Driver v5.0
The InstallShield Wizard will install the SecuGen USB Device Driver v5.0 on your computer. To continue, click Next.
InstallShield
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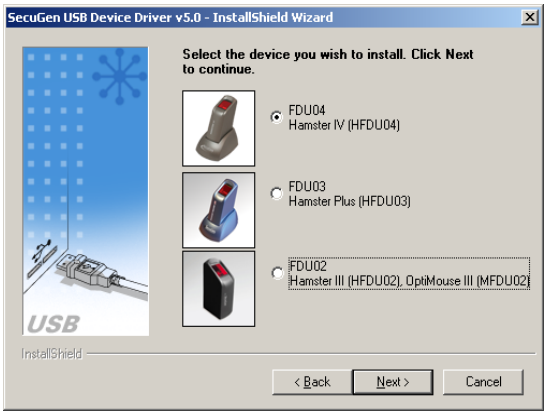
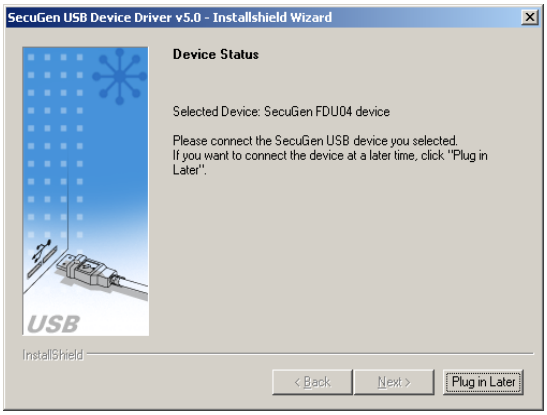
Next >
Cancel

6. Select the device you are using and click **Next**.



7. You will then be prompted to connect the USB peripheral.


SecuGen USB Device Driver v5.0 - Installshield Wizard
Device Status
Selected Device: SecuGen FDU04 device
Please connect the SecuGen USB device you selected.
If you want to connect the device at a later time, click "Plug in Later".
USB
InstallShield
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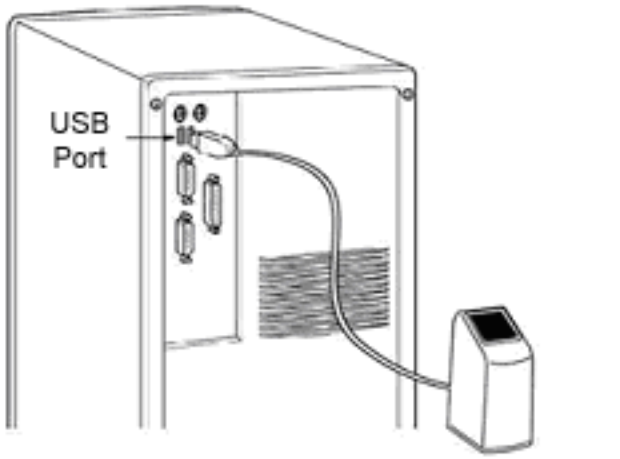
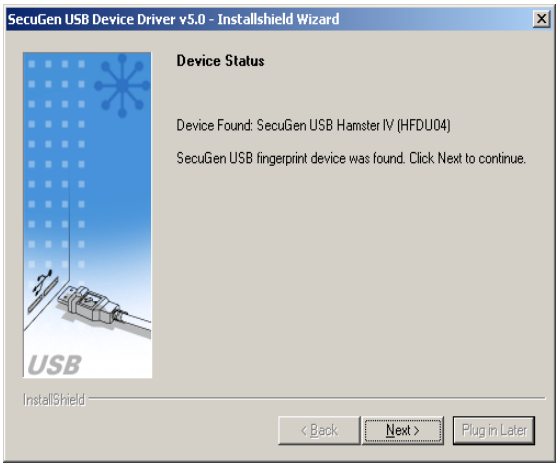
Next >
Plug in Later

8. Connect the peripheral to the USB port, and click **Next** to continue. After connecting USB device, it will show the device status.




SecuGen USB Device Driver v5.0 - Installshield Wizard
Device Status
Device Found: SecuGen USB Hamster IV (HFDU04)
SecuGen USB fingerprint device was found. Click Next to continue.
USB
InstallShield
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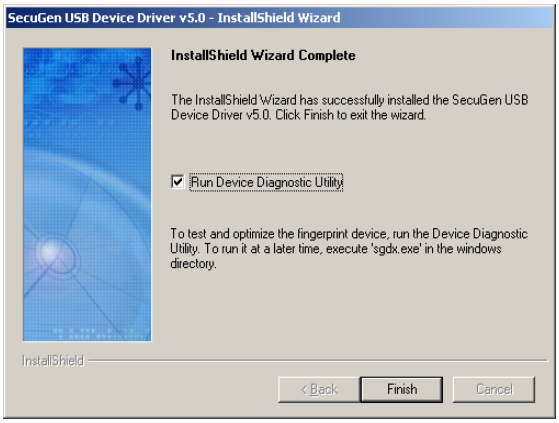
Plug in Later

9. Check the **Device Diagnostic Tool** check box (optional) and click **Finish**. At this time the installation process will end.


SecuGen USB Device Driver v5.0 - InstallShield Wizard
InstallShield Wizard Complete
The InstallShield Wizard has successfully installed the SecuGen USB Device Driver v5.0. Click Finish to exit the wizard.
Run Device Diagnostic Utility
To test and optimize the fingerprint device, run the Device Diagnostic Utility. To run it at a later time, execute 'sgdx.exe' in the windows directory.
InstallShield
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Finish
Cancel

If you checked the Device Diagnostic Tool, the hardware test utility will run automatically. You may the run the Device Diagnostic Tool at a later time, by clicking on **Start > Run** and typing **SGDX**. Refer to Chapter 4, *Device Diagnostic Utility*, for more information on using this to ensure that the SecuGen device is successfully installed. You can also use this utility to practice capturing your fingerprint and to become familiar with using the device.

Manual Installation for USB Devices (Optional)

If you are experiencing problems with the *SecuGenDriverInstall* program, you may use the USB plug-n-play function on Windows to carry out the driver installation process. In the example below, the instructions for manual installation of an FDU02 device will be shown.

Important note:

- **The pointing functions of the USB mouse will not be enabled until after the driver is installed, so you may need to use a regular mouse or the <Tab> key on the keyboard to make your selections during installation.**

1. First, connect the USB cable of the device to the USB port on your computer. (If connecting to a USB keyboard or hub, it must be self-powered.) The **Add New Hardware Wizard** will appear when the device is connected. These screens may differ depending on your OS and type of device.

2. **USB Composite Device Driver Installation (for USB mouse only).** Click **Next** to continue searching for the USB Composite Device driver.

Add New Hardware Wizard
This wizard searches for new drivers for:
USB Composite Device
A device driver is a software program that makes a hardware device work.
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Next >
Cancel

3. Select the first option (Recommended), and then click **Next.**

Add New Hardware Wizard
What do you want Windows to do?
Search for the best driver for your device. (Recommended).
Display a list of all the drivers in a specific location, so you can select the driver you want.
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Cancel

4. Select **CD-ROM drive**, and click **Next** to continue loading the drivers from the Device Driver CD.

Add New Hardware Wizard
Windows will search for new drivers in its driver database on your hard drive, and in any of the following selected locations. Click Next to start the search.
Floppy disk drives
CD-ROM drive
Microsoft Windows Update
Specify a location:
E:\WIN98_SE\SETUP\WIN98
Browse...
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Next >
Cancel

5. Click **Next** to continue the USB Composite Device installation, and then click **Finish** when installation is complete.

6. **USB Human Interface Device Driver Installation (for USB mouse and Windows 98 only).** Click **Next** to continue searching for the USB Human Interface Device driver.

Add New Hardware Wizard
This wizard searches for new drivers for:
USB Human Interface Device
A device driver is a software program that makes a hardware device work.
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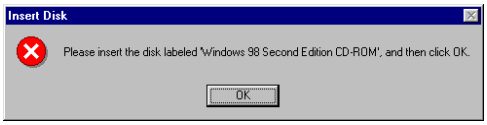
Cancel

7. Insert the Windows 98 installation CD. Repeat steps 3-5 to search for the HID driver on the CD ROM drive. (The file is called *hidclass.sys*.) When prompted, insert the Windows 98 CD containing the necessary file, and click **OK**, and then click **Finish** after the HID drivers are loaded.



8. Remove the Windows 98 CD and insert the Device Driver installation CD again.

9. **SecuGen USB Driver Installation**. Click **Next** to search for SecuGen USB drivers.

Add New Hardware Wizard
This wizard searches for new drivers for:
SecuGen USB
A device driver is a software program that makes a hardware device work.
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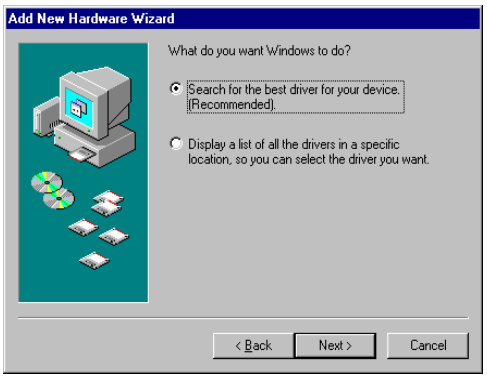
Cancel

10. Select the first option (Recommended), and then click **Next**.


Add New Hardware Wizard
What do you want Windows to do?
Search for the best driver for your device. (Recommended).
Display a list of all the drivers in a specific location, so you can select the driver you want.
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Next >
Cancel

11. Select **Specify a Location**, and then select the directory **\FDU02\Drivers\Win9x** from the installation CD.

Add New Hardware Wizard
Windows will search for new drivers in its driver database on your hard drive, and in any of the following selected locations. Click Next to start the search.
Floppy disk drives
CD-ROM drive
Microsoft Windows Update
Specify a location:
E:\USB\Drivers\FDU02\Win9x
Browse...
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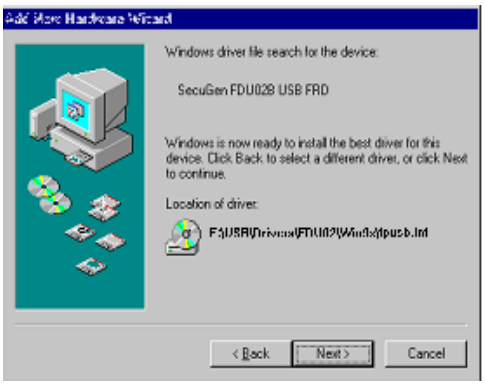
Note: For Windows 2003, XP, or 2000, select the directory \FDU02\Drivers from the Installation CD.

12. Click **Next** to continue the SecuGen Driver, and then click **Finish** when installation is complete.


Add New Hardware Wizard
Windows driver file search for the device:
SecuGen FDU02B USB FRD
Windows is now ready to install the best driver for this device. Click Back to select a different driver, or click Next to continue.
Location of driver:
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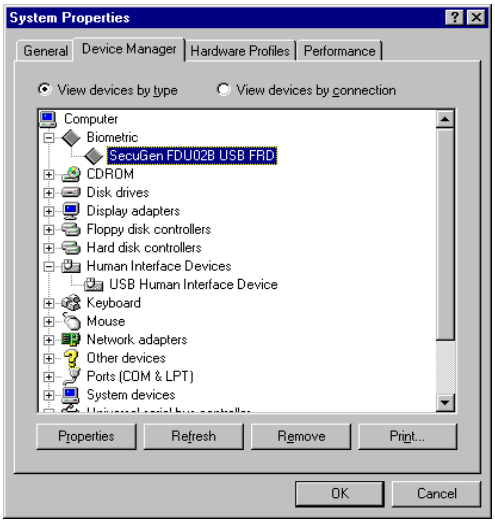
Next >
Cancel

13. To check that all the drivers have been installed, go to the **Device Manager** (by clicking on **Start > Settings > Control Panel > System > Device Manager**). If any of the following is missing, try re-installing the drivers using the steps outlined above.

TYPE OF DEVICE > SPECIFIC DEVICE
Human Interface Devices > USB Human Interface Device (needed only for USB mouse)
Universal Serial Bus controllers > USB Composite Device (needed only for USB mouse and Windows 98)
Universal Serial Bus controllers > SecuGen FDU02 USB FRD



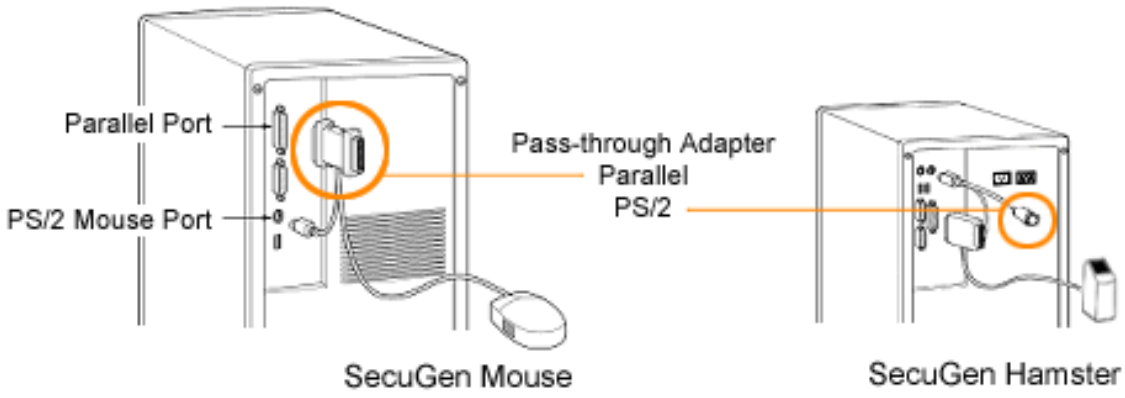
2.2. Parallel Devices and Drivers

Installing SecuGen drivers is simple when you use the *SecuGenDriverInstall* program to take you through each step of the way.

Important Notes:

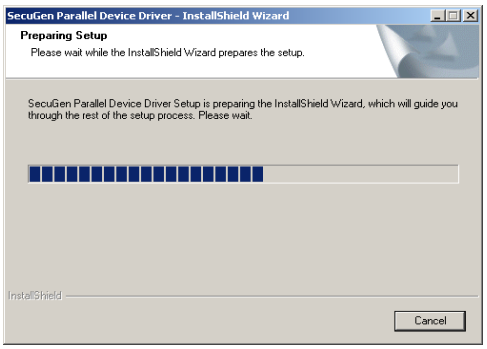
- **Parallel devices require two connections to the PC: a parallel adapter and a PS/2 adapter. The parallel adapter is used for the transfer of fingerprint-related data and functions. The PS/2 adapter is used for PC peripheral functions, such as the mouse pointer. If the parallel adapter is not connected, the peripherals may still function but without any fingerprint sensor capabilities.**
- **Parallel devices may operate in any parallel port mode. However, EPP (Enhanced Parallel Port) mode is recommended for fastest performance.**
- **To check and/or change your parallel port mode settings before installation, go to the BIOS setup (I/O device configuration settings). Please see Chapter 3, *Troubleshooting*, for brief instructions on how to change the parallel port mode in BIOS.**

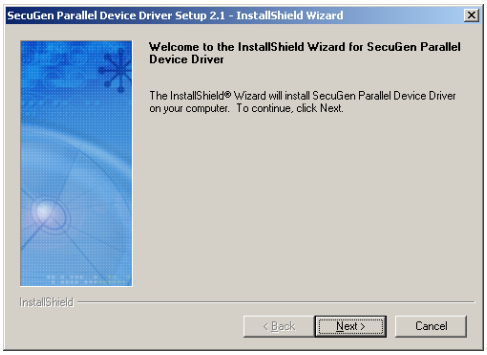
1. Before installation, turn off your computer.
2. Connect the PS/2 connector of the device to the PS/2 port (mouse or keyboard port) on your computer. If you are connecting the Hamster and sharing the PS/2 port, connect the Hamster directly to the computer and then connect the other peripheral to the back of the PS/2 pass-through adapter.
3. Connect the parallel adapter of the device to the parallel port (printer port) on your computer. If you are connected directly to a printer, connect the printer cable to the back of the parallel pass-through adapter.



4. Turn on your computer after the parallel and PS/2 connections of your SecuGen device are connected.
5. If installing from CD, insert the SecuGen Device Driver CD into your CD-ROM drive. The installation program will start automatically. If installing from the website, click on the *SecuGenDriverInstall* link and unzip the file. Double-click on **setup.exe** to begin installation.
6. Click **Parallel Driver** to continue.

7. Follow the instructions presented by the InstallShield Wizard to complete the driver installation.


SecuGen Parallel Device Driver - InstallShield Wizard
Preparing Setup
Please wait while the InstallShield Wizard prepares the setup.
SecuGen Parallel Device Driver Setup is preparing the InstallShield Wizard, which will guide you through the rest of the setup process. Please wait.
InstallShield
Cancel


SecuGen Parallel Device Driver Setup 2.1 - InstallShield Wizard
Welcome to the InstallShield Wizard for SecuGen Parallel Device Driver
The InstallShield® Wizard will install SecuGen Parallel Device Driver on your computer. To continue, click Next.
InstallShield
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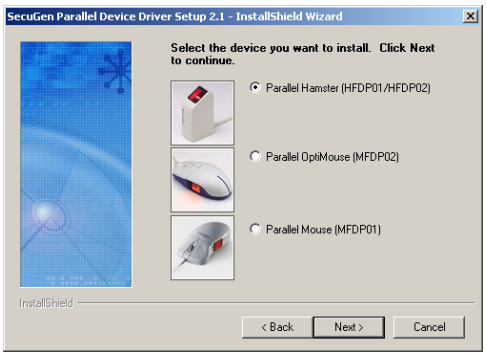
8. Select the device you are using and click “Next”. If installing the parallel keyboard, choose “Parallel Hamster (HFDP02).”


SecuGen Parallel Device Driver Setup 2.1 - InstallShield Wizard
Select the device you want to install. Click Next to continue.
Parallel Hamster (HFDP01/HFDP02)
Parallel OptiMouse (MFDP02)
Parallel Mouse (MFDP01)
InstallShield
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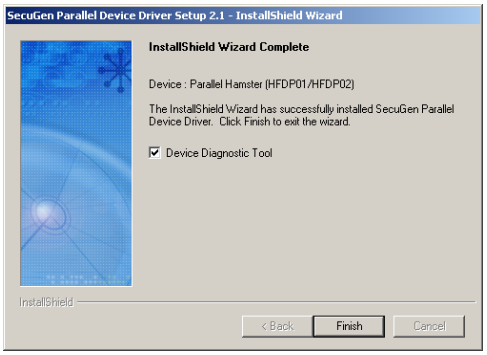
Next >
Cancel

9. When the device installation process is complete, the message “InstallShield Wizard Complete” will be displayed.


SecuGen Parallel Device Driver Setup 2.1 - InstallShield Wizard
InstallShield Wizard Complete
Device : Parallel Hamster (HFDP01/HFDP02)
The InstallShield Wizard has successfully installed SecuGen Parallel Device Driver. Click Finish to exit the wizard.
Device Diagnostic Tool
InstallShield
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10. Check the **Device Diagnostic Tool** check box (optional) and click **Finish**. At this time the installation process will end. If you checked the Device Diagnostic Tool, the hardware test utility will run automatically. You may the run the Device Diagnostic Tool at a later time, by clicking on **Start > Run** and typing **SGDX**. Refer to Chapter 4, *Device Diagnostic Utility*, for more information on using this to ensure that the SecuGen device is successfully installed. You can also use this utility to practice capturing your fingerprint and to become familiar with using the device.

Chapter 3. Tips on Usage and Care of Your Device

Why is the image quality of fingerprints important?

SecuGen fingerprint recognition technology is based on minutiae, the feature points found in a fingerprint. When a fingerprint image is captured, a sampling of minutiae are extracted and processed into a template, which will be used for the biometric software functions of enrollment and matching. If the captured image is not clear or does not have enough contrast, the minutiae may be inconsistently sampled, thus resulting in less accuracy and poor performance.

Certain environments and skin conditions, such as wet, dry, or aged skin, can initially cause a fingerprint image to appear too light or dark. By adjusting the image quality for your device, it is possible to overcome the enrollment or matching problems that have commonly occurred with fingers that “don’t seem to work”.

Proper placement is the key to good results

SecuGen's fingerprint matching algorithm is capable of extracting the correct minutiae even without benefit of a perfect print. However, the proper placement of your finger during fingerprint input can help produce consistent results for any biometric application. The following tips on usage and care will help you obtain an optimal fingerprint image quality that ensures better performance and reduces the chances for failure to enroll and match correctly.

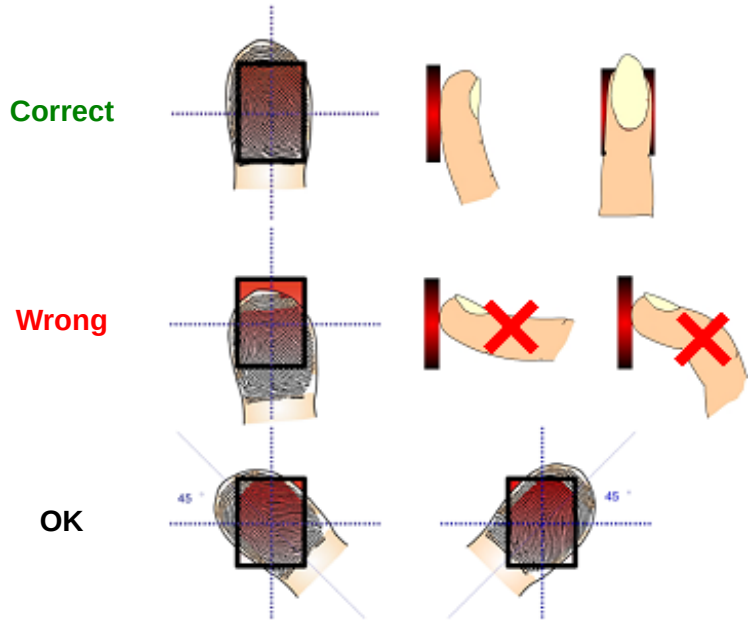
Important Notes:

- *Fingerprint images are never stored*
  SecuGen fingerprint technology is based on minutiae, the feature points around the core of your fingerprint. When a fingerprint is captured, only a portion of the minutiae are sampled, and then processed by an extraction algorithm and converted into a secure template. After the template is formed, the fingerprint image is deleted. All fingerprints are used in the form of templates enrollment and matching.
- *Fingerprint images cannot be reconstructed from minutiae or templates*
  The minutiae sampled from a fingerprint do not have enough information to recreate an image of the fingerprint. Additionally, minutiae cannot be extracted from a template because the mathematical conversion from minutiae to template is irreversible. As a final measure of security, templates are secured using advanced encryption to prevent data from being “hacked.”

3.1. Usage Tips

Place the pad of your finger at the center of the sensor

The pad is the fleshy part of the finger, located near the middle of the first segment of the finger. Be sure that the pad (not the tip) covers as much of the window as possible. It is okay to place your finger at an angle of up 45 degrees rotated in either direction.



Apply light pressure

Apply pressure lightly and evenly during the capturing process. You only need to apply as much pressure as is required to hold a piece of paper between your fingers. Pressing too hard may result in an overly dark or blurred image.

Keep your finger still

Wait for the red LED to light up, indicating the device is activated, and keep your finger in place while the fingerprint is captured.

How to find the core of your fingerprint

The fingerprint generally consists of lines (or ridges) that form a pattern. The core of a fingerprint is defined as the topmost point on the innermost ridge that curves downward. The core can usually be found at or just below the center of the first segment of your finger. The following image shows examples of core points on different fingerprint patterns.

To avoid problems if you cut or injure your finger

As a preventative measure, it is best to enroll more than one finger so that if one finger becomes unavailable for authentication, you will have an alternate finger to use. For this reason, many biometric products, including SecuGen software, provide the option of multiple finger enrollments.

If your biometric product features a password or PIN back-up, you can use this feature in case no finger or properly working fingerprint device is available.

If none of the above options work, please contact your IT administrator or technical support provider for help.

Problematic fingerprints

By following the above guidelines, you should be able to get consistently good results. Sometimes, however, certain skin conditions or environments may cause poor fingerprint images. Damp skin may cause fingerprints that are too dark or smudged, but can be remedied by wiping fingers before input. If your finger is dry (especially after washing), you may moisturize it by breathing on it or touching it to your forehead to pick up surface oil before input. Alternatively, if these problems are persistent, you can by adjust the brightness settings for your device to get the best contrast and brightness levels. For more instructions, refer to section 4.3.

3.2. Care Tips

Normal oil, residue or smudges on the fingerprint sensor window will not cause problems or interfere with capturing fingerprints. The sensor window was designed to withstand heavy use and extreme conditions including heat and cold. It does not have any coatings and is made of a hard, quartz-like material that resists scratches, etching, and damage from environmental elements.

If you wish to clean the surface of the sensor window:

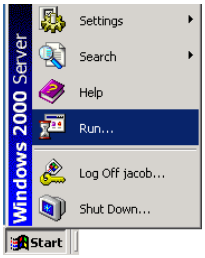
- You may use a dry or wet paper towel or cloth to wipe off the window. To remove stubborn dirt, you can rub the window with paper towel or cloth soaked with a soap solution.
- Cleaning agents like glass cleaners and anti-bacterial wipes may be used without harming the sensor. However, the plastic housing of the unit may be damaged if strong solvents, acids or caustic solutions are used.
- Do not pour liquids directly onto the sensor or device, as the liquid might seep into the underlying components and cause damage.

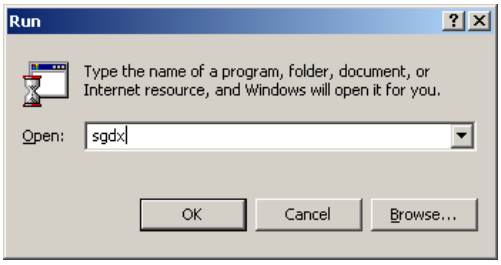
Chapter 4. Device Diagnostic Utility

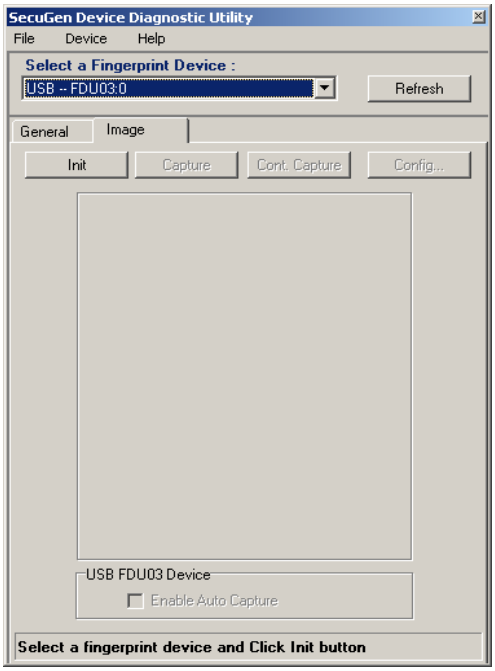
The Device Diagnostic Utility is a user-friendly tool that provides several important functions:

- To practice capturing fingerprints and test your device for proper functioning
- To optimize the image quality of fingerprints for improved accuracy
- To get basic information about your system and hardware configuration

You can run the Device Diagnostic Utility at any time by going to **Start > Run**. Type "**sgdx**", and click **OK**.



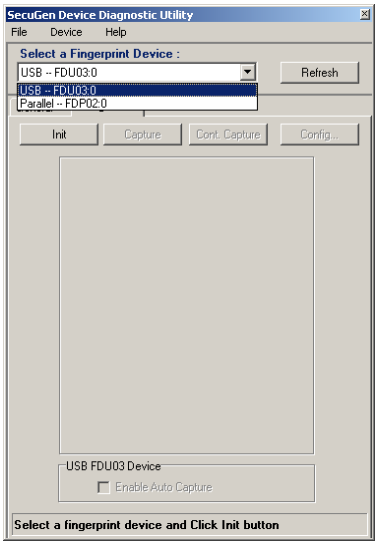




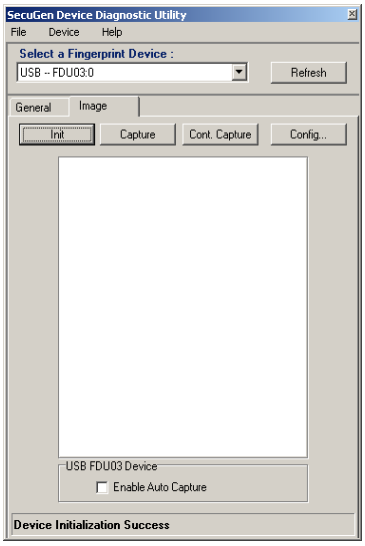
4.1. Practice capturing fingerprints

Important Note:
By default, fingerprint images are never stored. When a biometric software application requires you to input a fingerprint for enrollment or verification (i.e. for login), your fingerprint images are momentarily captured and then deleted after minutiae are extracted. Neither the minutiae nor the encrypted template, formed by the minutiae, can be used to reconstruct a fingerprint image.

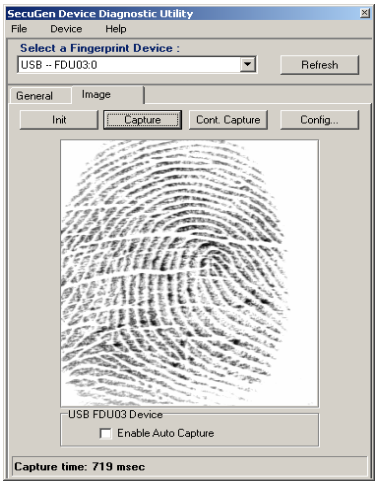
1. Select the device you are going to use from the **Select a Fingerprint Device** drop-down menu. “Auto-Detect” is recommended for parallel devices.



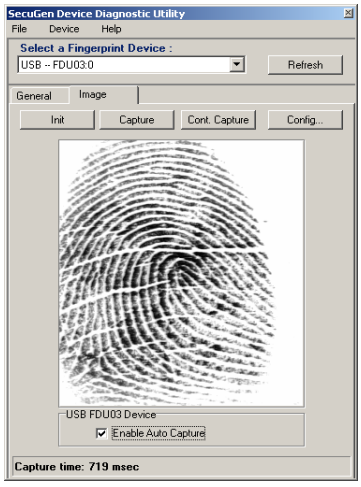
2. Click on the **Image** tab and then **Init** to initialize the device. Initialization results are displayed at the bottom of the window.



3. Place your finger on the sensor window of the SecuGen device and click **Capture**. When the red LED of your device lights up, the device will capture one image and display it in the main window.



4. ***(For FDU03-based devices only)*** To test the Auto-On™ function, click on the **Enable Auto Capture** checkbox, and the device will automatically capture a fingerprint when you place your finger on the sensor window.

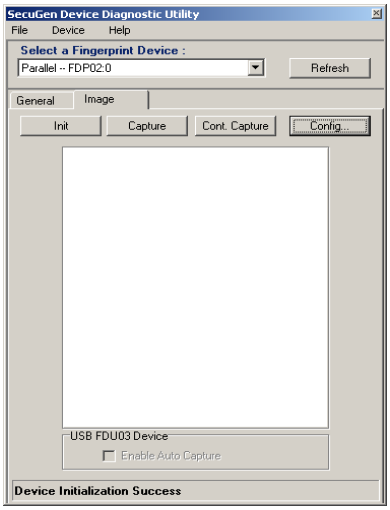


4.2. Adjust Image Quality

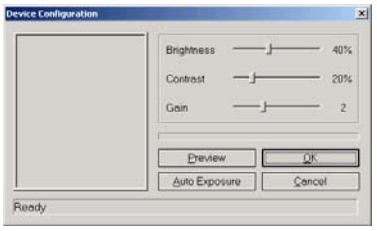
The Device Diagnostic Utility lets you adjust the fingerprint image quality settings of your device for optimal performance. The importance of image quality is explained at the beginning of Chapter 3.

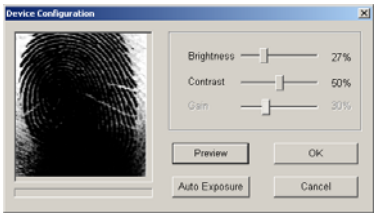
Note: Some software applications made for SecuGen products may also have an image adjustment feature built-in to their program. In such case, please refer to the corresponding documentation.

1. From the window under the **Image** tab, and then click **Config…**. You may need to first click **Init** if your device was not yet initialized.



2. When Device Configuration opens, place your finger on the device sensor window, and click **Preview** to view your fingerprint.

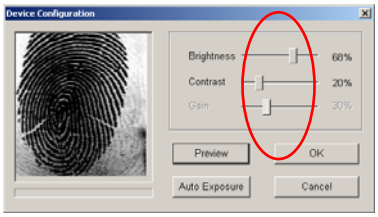




Example of image that needs adjustment

3. For manual adjustment, click and drag the Brightness or Contrast sliders, and then click **Preview** again.

   If the **images** are still too bright, you can further adjust the gain setting by moving the Gain slider. (Parallel devices do not support gain adjustment.)



Example of image after manually changing settings

4. To let the system automatically determine optimal settings, click **Auto Exposure**. Hold you finger still on the sensor window during the entire process. The settings will automatically change incrementally, and a blue status bar will indicate the progress. Click **Preview** again to check the improvement of your fingerprint image.

Example of image after automatic setting adjustment

5. To keep the new settings, click **OK**.
   To go back to the original settings, click **Cancel**.

4.3. Get Device Configuration Information

Select the **General** tab to view information about:

Drivers Installed

A checked box indicates which device drivers are installed on your computer.

Parallel Device

Parallel device status is available only when the parallel device is initialized. After initialization, the status of the parallel port to which the device is connected will be displayed.

USB Device

USB device status is available only when the USB device is initialized. The version number and type of device connected to your system will be displayed.

Chapter 5. Troubleshooting

5.1. USB Device Problems

My SecuGen USB device does not power on.

If you have connected the SecuGen device to a USB port in a USB keyboard or hub, verify that the USB keyboard or hub has its own power-supply. The SecuGen USB device uses almost 110mA of electric current, so it should only be connected to hubs that are self-powered. If the USB keyboard or hub is not self-powered, connect the SecuGen device directly to the computer.

My USB device initializes and powers on, but cannot capture fingerprints.

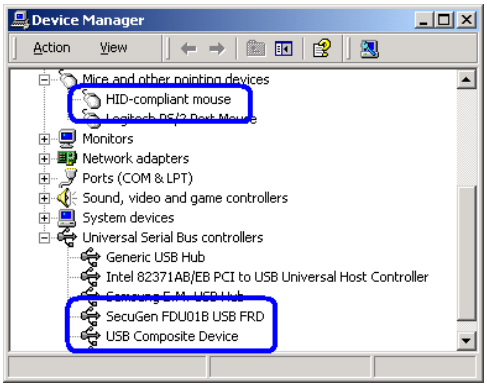
When you have other high-speed USB devices, such as a digital camera or scanner, connected to your computer, the SecuGen device cannot be used at the same time. SecuGen USB devices use almost 66% of the USB bandwidth, and therefore cannot function concurrently with any other device using more than 40% of the USB bandwidth. Close the programs that use the other USB devices, and if necessary, disconnect those devices, before using the SecuGen device.

My mouse is very slow.

When certain other mouse drivers are installed on your computer, the SecuGen USB mouse response may be slow. Click **Start > Control Panel > Mouse** and the **Operation** tab to adjust the speed of mouse pointer. If you cannot adjust the speed of mouse pointer, remove the other mouse driver from the system.

My SecuGen USB mouse doesn't work.

Verify that the USB adapter of the SecuGen mouse is connected to the USB port correctly. Click **Start > Control Panel > System** and select the **Device Manager** tab to verify that the mouse drivers are installed correctly. If they are not installed correctly as listed below, repeat the installation process and be sure to select the USB mouse. (For FDU02 devices, refer to the next paragraph.)



My USB device is not recognized.

If you are using an FDU02 device, then be sure to use the latest device driver, such as that provided by the *SecuGenDriverInstall* program v2.0. Although older FDU01 devices can work with FDU02 device drivers, the new FDU02 models cannot work with FDU01 device drivers. You may download updated drivers from SecuGen's website at http://www.secugen.com/download/.

I'm using Windows XP which warns that the driver has not passed Windows Logo testing to verify its compatibility with Windows XP

If you are a Windows XP user and you see a warning box that says the SecuGen device driver has not passed Windows Logo testing, please click the “Continue Anyway” button. Our drivers have been tested thoroughly, and work with the operating system perfectly. Be sure to use at least version 2.0 of *SecuGenDriverInstall* when installing the driver for USB devices. This version contains signed drivers for the USB Hamster products, and is also made available through Microsoft's Windows Update web site and will be included in future Windows Server 2003 and Windows XP Service Packs. (www.windowsupdate.com)

5.2. Parallel Device Problems

My program says “device not found” or the device won’t initialize.

First verify that the parallel adapter of the device is connected to the parallel port correctly, and that the PS/2 connector is connected to the PS/2 port.

Parallel Port Modes can vary for desktop and laptop computers. Selecting the correct parallel port mode is important for proper device operation. EPP (Enhanced Parallel Port) is the recommended mode for all SecuGen® parallel port devices and may be selected using the BIOS SETUP.

How to change the BIOS SETUP:

1. To check your current parallel port configuration on your system BIOS SETUP screen, restart your computer while pressing the <Delete> or <F2> key. Go to the I/O device section of your BIOS configuration. You may also refer to you computer manufacturer’s operating manual for instructions on configuring the parallel port.
2. Choose “Printer Port Mode Setup” from the System BIOS SETUP screen. The menu screen may vary with the type of computer you have, but the menu option is typically labeled as ‘Integrated Peripheral’ or ‘I/O Device Configuration’.
3. Choose one of EPP, ECP or SPP Modes using the <+>, <->, <PageUp>, or <PageDown> keys. EPP Mode is recommended. SecuGen parallel port devices can use either 378h or 278h standard addresses.
4. After you save the changes, your computer will restart automatically.

How do I connect other devices?

Local printers and other devices can plug directly into the back of SecuGen’s pass-through parallel port adapter to share the port. Additionally, the SecuGen Hamster has a Y-type PS/2 extension so that you can share the PS/2 port with your mouse or keyboard after installing the Hamster.

My printer doesn’t work.

1. First, determine whether or not the SecuGen device is initialized and running. Your printer will not work while the device driver is on. If necessary, close the program that is using the device.
2. Disconnect the device, and connect your printer directly to the parallel port.
3. If the printer functions correctly when the SecuGen device is disconnected, there may be a defect with the SecuGen device.
4. If the printer does not work when the SecuGen device is disconnected, the problem may be due to the printer itself.

My SecuGen mouse pointer doesn’t work.

1. Shut down the computer and remove the parallel connector, but leave the PS/2 connector in place.
2. Reboot the system and check to see if the mouse functions work.

Chapter 6. Glossary of Common Biometric Terms

Biometrics The automated recognition of persons based on their unique measurable physical and/or behavioral characteristics. Examples of traits used in biometrics include fingerprints, iris, face, voice, and hand geometry. All of these biometric techniques may be differentiated by variables such as speed, durability, reliability, cost effectiveness, and degree of user interaction. Fingerprints are generally considered the most practical and widely used biometric identifier today.

Authentication A method for confirming the identity of an individual. Simple authentication methods include user name and password, while more secure methods include token-based one-time passwords. The most secure authentication methods include layered or “multi-factor” biometric procedures that combine multiple biometric methods or a single biometric with traditional methods. Authentication is independent of authorization.

Authorization The administration of person-specific rights and privileges for access to data, resources and applications.

Biometric Authentication Mode The way biometric data (e.g. fingerprints) is used for authentication: either *verification* or *identification*. The mode chosen for a biometric installation or application depends on the specific needs of a site, where either convenience or security may be emphasized.

False Acceptance Rate Also known as FAR. Measures how frequently unauthorized persons are accepted by the system due to erroneous matching. Potentially serious. The FAR of SecuGen devices is currently about .001%.

False Rejection Rate Also known as FRR. Measures how frequently authorized users are rejected by a biometric system. This often translates to user inconvenience and is usually improved by educating users on correct usage of biometric devices, especially in high security environments, which usually set more stringent requirements for precise matching.

Identification Also known as one-to-many or 1:N comparison. The authentication mode that compares input biometric data with all other reference data of persons recorded in a system database. This method does not require any accompanying information (such as user ID) to be provided at time of input. It is user-friendly but may be inherently slower and less secure than the *verification* mode.

Latent Fingerprint Latent fingerprints are “left over” fragments of a fingerprint usually caused by the build-up of oily residues on an optical sensor window after repeated use. (SecuGen devices use a technique that prevents latent fingerprints from being incorrectly validated by the system.)

Matching The comparison of input biometric data with another biometric data sample (e.g. registered template) to confirm that the input data came from the same person. If a matching threshold is met, the input data is said to match the sample.

Minutiae Feature points that are extracted from a biometric input and used to construct a template for matching by biometric systems. For fingerprints, minutiae include features such as the starting and ending points of ridges and ridge junctions.

Template The biometric reference pattern of a person’s biometric input stored for matching. SecuGen products convert fingerprint minutiae into encrypted templates using proprietary extraction algorithms, so that actual fingerprint images are not stored and cannot be reconstructed from the template data.

Verification Also known as one-to-one or 1:1 comparison. The authentication mode that compares input biometric data with reference data that corresponds to a user’s record. This authentication mode requires the input of an additional identifier such as a User ID, PIN, or smart card to locate the user’s record. Verification is inherently faster and more secure than the *identification* method and is most commonly used in biometric applications.

Chapter 7. Technical Specifications

The specifications listed here refer to the latest models of SecuGen peripherals available. For full specifications or information about earlier models, please contact SecuGen.

FINGERPRINT SENSOR	**FDU04**	**FDU03, FDU02**	**FDP02**
Image Sensor	1.3 Mpixel CMOS	CMOS	
Sensing Area	12.9 x 16.8 mm	12.7 x 14.9 mm	
Dimensions (module)	21 x 32 x 63 mm		
Resolution	500 dpi (1200 dpi intrinsic)	500 dpi ± 1	505 dpi ± 10
Encrypted Data Size	400 bytes or variable (depending on application)		
Verification Time (sec)	< 1		EPP (recommended): < 1 SPP: < 3
Voltage	5V DC		
Power Consumption	Stand-by: 0.45 mA Operational: < 130 mA	Stand-by: 0.45 mA Operational: < 60 mA	Operational: < 50 mA
Temperature	Operating: -10°C to 60°C (14° to 104°F)		
Humidity	Operating: RH 20 ~ 90%		
Random Vibration Test	RMS 3.2G Level (10~2000 Hz) – 2Hrs Test (Maximum G level limited to 3 times the RMS level)		